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Report of Annual Meeting of The Ratepayers

The annual ratepayers meeting held last Friday evening was better attended by the taxpayers than the one held a year ago. Some interesting discussions took place.

R. A. Wilson was appointed chairman of the meeting. The medical health officer reported that the health of the town had been very good. There had been no communicable diseases in the town. He stressed the importance of garbage removal as a means of combating disease caused by flies. He also commented on the improvement made to the sewer in town, requiring them to have separate washroom facilities so located that the public did not have to pass through the kitchen where food was being prepared.

The financial report of the finance committee indicated that the town was in a slightly better condition than at the end of 1944, with a bank balance of \$5,484.07, and \$5000 in Victory Bonds. Collections on account of current taxes amounted to \$16,458.87 or approximately 89 percent of the levy had been collected. While the school board had requested only \$20,000 for school purposes, only \$9,200.01 had been levied for leaving a balance due the school district of \$2,780.00.

The Community Hall committee reported that the hall had made a small profit this year. It had been suggested a year ago that the walls and ceiling be attended to, but due to the difficulty of getting material nothing had been done, but it was hoped that the material would soon be available for this purpose.

The Fire, Light and Police committee reported that two calls had been registered during the year. One to a plank sidewalk at the west end of the town that had caught fire, and the other to the house of Hugh Wilson, located a couple of miles north of town. Both fires were extinguished.

A new fire engine had been purchased during the year at a cost of \$1,415.41. A charge of \$25.00 plus the cost of material used, will be made whenever the fire engine is used outside the town of Gleichen.

The electric light franchise was renewed during the year. The electric light and power service had been most satisfactory.

During the year there were 15 convictions, 54 complaints, and 92 warnings given. All complaints had been investigated and dealt with. Police court costs paid to the town amounted to \$21.50.

The Waterworks Committee reported a plentiful supply of water, the difficulty being in the distribution system. Leaks have been repaired as soon as they were located. A number of valves were turned up and put in working order so that it is now possible to sectionalize the system and repairs can now be made to one section without having to shut off the whole water system. It is intended to replace the old mains with new 3-inch pipe. The pipe is now on hand and it is expected that replacements will be made this summer. Waterworks engineers have been consulted and the best possible advice will be followed.

Local Gunners

Play Several Games During Past Month

The new Gleichen Gunners hockey team have played six games so far this year as follows:

Cluny Dormitory at Gleichen, Glen 5, Cluny 3.

Carleton at Gleichen, Gleichen 2, Carleton 2.

Gleichen at Cluny, Gleichen 6, Cluny 4.

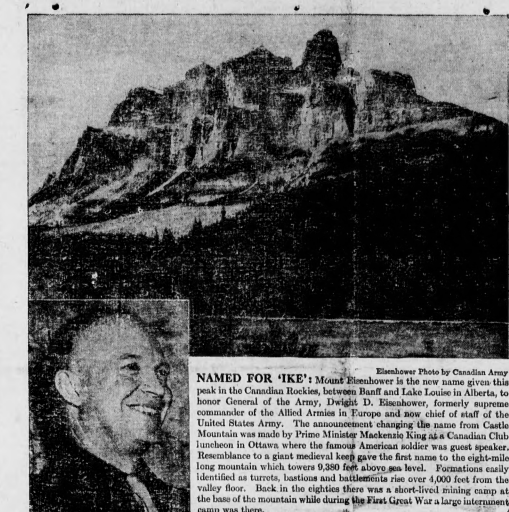
Blackfoot Indian Guards at Gleichen, Gleichen 3, Blackfoot 2.

Cluny Flying Frenchmen at Gleichen, Cluny 3, Gleichen 4.

Old San Juan at Gleichen, Grade 7, Gleichen 4.

Gleichen lineup: Goalie, Levie McMaster; W. Service, B. Service, C. Crawford, P. Yellowfoot, M. Service, A. Rodominski, I. Kiddell, C. McKay, J. Barabash, J. Manthadene, W. Mc

Shaw.



NAMED FOR 'IKE' Mount Eisenhower in the new name given this town honor General of the Army, Dwight D. Eisenhower, formerly supreme commander of the Allied Armies in Europe and now chief of staff of the United States. The announcement changing the name from Castle Mountain was made by Prime Minister Mackenzie King at a Canadian Club luncheon in Ottawa where the famous American soldier was guest speaker. Remembrance to a giant medieval keep gave the first name to the eight-mile long mountain which towers 9,380 feet above sea level. Formations easily identified as turkeys, bastions and battlements rise over 4,000 feet from the valley floor. Back in the eighties there was a short-lived mining camp at the base of the mountain while during the First Great War a large internment camp was there.

obtained before undertaking this work. The pumps and wells have been kept in good working condition.

The Irrigation Committee reports that the pumping equipment has been maintained in good condition throughout, and a good supply of water has been available during the year. In addition to water used for irrigation purposes the swimming pool has been supplied with water.

The Public Works Committee reports that the streets have been graded and dragged a number of times during the year and the ditches and culverts have been kept clear of weeds, etc. Sidewalks have been maintained in as good repair as possible. Some of the plank sidewalks are now getting badly worn out and will require replacing either with plank or cement. The sewerage disposal house had been kept clean, and the outlet clear of weeds and other growth.

Crossing stop signs have been painted and replaced wherever required.

Fire Destroys Town Pumping House At Water Tower

Last Thursday evening about 3 o'clock fire broke out in the pump house located directly below the water tower, completely destroying it and the pumping equipment inside. Also destroyed was the insulated wooden sheeting that encased the water pipes leading to the tank at the top of the tower.

The blaze was discovered by Chas. Thompson who happened to go outside his home and smell the smoke drifting with the bitter cold wind from the north. Investigating the cause of the smoke discovered the pump house on fire. E. H. Froggatt was the first to arrive at the scene and opening the door noticed the fire was not near where near the stove but on the north wall, evidently caused by a short circuit, since the electric motor and wiring was located there.

When the new chemical engine arrived on the scene difficulty was experienced in getting the machine to work properly, since no one seemed to know how to operate it. Only a small stream of chemical came from the nozzle and had no more effect on the fire than a garden hose. Meanwhile the fire raged upward into the wooden sheeting leading to the tank high above. As the fire burned upward parts of the sheeting fell away. Finally there was a blank space from the ground upward for a distance of 1 foot about thirty feet and for the next fifty feet the sheeting was suspended from the tank. All were expecting that

the shingles covering it would catch fire and the wind would hurl the shingles over the tower. For a considerable time the fire burned at the base of the tank when suddenly the 50 feet or so of sheeting dropped to the ground, splintered to pieces and almost seared the life out of the onlookers. It was then noticed that the shingles were not on fire and all behaved a sigh of relief.

During all this time the crowd was kept busy. Mr. and Mrs. H. Hamar's two-story residence, which is just south and a little east of the fire, was saved by the wind blowing the heat to the west of the house. Under the direction of Cpl. Amy R.C.M.P., the crowd carried out the household effects, taking them across the street a stonoring them in the teachers' room.

The town work shop directly south and directly in the path of the cinders and heat was saved by supernatural efforts. A couple of small streams of hand pumped water and hundreds of shovels full of snow thrown on the roof did the trick.

Further south and across the street, the curling rink boys were keeping an eye on the building and shovelling snow on the roof. Further on others had to watch the arena walls and residences.

The curling rink was emptied of rocks and other equipment. In their enthusiasm, it is said, some of the curlers started off with the rocks in the direction of the river, evidently intent on finishing the season if the rink disappeared. After carrying the stones 50 or 60 feet their enthusiasm waned and the stones were thrown better skelter by the way side.

THE WORLD OF WHEAT

(By H. G. L. Strang)

SLEEPING ON YOUR RIGHTS

There is an old Roman proverb over 2,000 years old which translated says: "those who sleep on their rights for fear them."

We have an excellent illustration of this proverb in the tariff situation of Canada as it affects our farmers. Years ago all Canada's wheat was readily sold because there was no high tariffs in Canada which obstructed the importation of our country's goods into Canada, which meant that these foreign people could by the sale of these goods, obtain Canadian dollars with which to buy our wheat. Then little by little and quietly, certain industrial countries in Canada persuaded our government to set up high tariffs which helped the Canadian government. This was seriously curtailed the export of our farmers' products. Our farmers, it seems, have gone asleep on this matter of tariffs. Farmers everywhere say a word about it and certainly talk little action to have these evil tariffs reduced. In short, our farmers, like

Council And School Board Nominations Next Monday

Next Monday February 4th will be nomination day for councilors and school trustees.

Councillors R. K. Hunter and G. T. Jones are retiring since their terms in office are up.

Trustees Wm. Ferguson and P. N. Warner terms are now up and nominations to fill their vacancies are now open.

It is expected the Board of Trade will endeavor to find some prospects for both the school board and town council.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. H. Hamar desire to express their deep appreciation to each and everyone who helped to remove their household effects during the fire last Thursday evening.



Now that January 1946 is almost history, one of the chief topics of conversation in the Capital is the Second Session of Canada's Twentieth Parliament. When will it open?

Five Cabinet Ministers are at present in the session. There are a number of important matters pending. When will the Minister delay to consult with them after they return, an approximate opening date for parliament might be ventured.

But this is not the only preparation necessary for the opening of the session. There are a number of important matters pending. When will the Peace Conference be held, what (Continued on another page)

many other good people have "slept on their rights." The Canadian government has now set up a tariff board to consider the whole tariff question. People are invited to submit remarks. Farmers, their friends and their organizations should demand, of the government and of this tariff board a sharp reduction in existing tariffs.

JOIN THIS CONTEST! WIN \$50,000

THINK UP A NAME!

As you perhaps all know, a new building is going up on the same old camping ground of the Massey-Harris Implement Agency in Gleichen. I hope all the better to be able to serve you, as I am reorganizing my business and am also taking on some new lines and enlarging on some that I have not been able to do justice in the past, and right here is where you can do something for me.

"I NEED A NAME FOR THIS NEW PLACE OF BUSINESS"

I and I invite every boy and girl, every man or woman who can think of a suitable name, to submit it to me by mail. Then when the contest is over, the winning name will be put up on the building and the lucky winner will receive a prize of "FIFTY DOLLARS".

Now I would like to give you a few hints as to the name: First of all, I am the MASSEY-HARRIS Dealer selling implements to farmers over a wide area. (Do not include Massey-Harris in the name.)

Secondly as soon as cars are available, I will have a supply of a full line of trucks, from the Light De-

livery type to the real heavy tonnage models, as I have been assigned the STUDEBAKER franchise in this district, which will include the sturdy CHAMPION MOTOR lines that have made such a name for themselves both in Europe and the Pacific.

Thirdly, I will of course, handle a full line of CANADIAN GENERAL ELECTRIC GOODS, such as washers, radios, irons, refrigerators, etc., both for farm use and town.

Fourthly, the SHERWIN-WILLIAMS PAINT COMPANY, the largest paint manufacturers in the World have assigned the Gleichen territory to me and I hope to specialize in a full line of paints, varnishes, enamels and stains as well as many by-products.

In addition to the above there will be many other lines previously carried such as tires tubes, batteries, bicycles, ELEPHANT BRAND fresh livery, etc., etc.

So you see, that in selecting a name for a business of that kind, much has to be considered. It cannot be too long or it will be cumbersome but can be as short as possible if it puts over the idea. The contest is open to anyone, just drop a line to me and make as many suggestions as you wish.

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THE CRACKER BARREL

are to be the final details of the Anglo-Canadian Loan Agreement, what will be the trade picture during the next year? And the question are even more numerous than that.

Preparing for a parliamentary session is an exhaustive and highly technical affair. The government is fully aware that parliament is the final and highest expression of democracy and believes the best decisions can be reached only when adequate preparation precedes the presentation of government policies on the floor of Commons.

MORE BENEFITS TO VETS

The other day the Ottawa Journal, frequently quite critical of the government's policies and their application, took a "disgusted veteran" to task for complaining he had no job, no money, nothing but promises.

The Journal printed the letter which it had received, and the veteran was astonished at the amount of help which immediately was forthcoming. He quickly learned that the man discharged from the Canadian Armored Forces most definitely is not thrown upon his own resources to sink or swim. As the Journal indicated, there is an elaborate organization ready and willing to assist him—and the regulations make many forms of assistance available.

The Department of Veterans Affairs has set up a system of counselors throughout the country, and no veteran should have any difficulty in locating them. Indeed, his nearest newspaper office is most likely to have the answer fastest. The Department stands ready "to make a complete investigation of any claim and if the department is at fault will only be too anxious to correct any condition complained of."

To give even one more service to the discharged members of Canada's fine democratic army, the government has evolved an arrangement between the Veterans' and Labor Departments to give veterans out of work benefits paid through the office of the Unemployment Insurance Commission after February 1.

By using the benefits, the veteran does not need to spend his gratuities for living expenses while he is seeking a job.

The benefits amount to \$50 a month for a single man and \$70 a month for a married man, with additional allowances for children. If a veteran has not found work within 30 days after discharge, the benefits are payable for a period equal to the length of service but not exceeding a year.

TAX COLLECTOR TALKS BACK
Coffee-bar gossip took a cheerful turn in the Capital last week when Canada's tax collector McManis announced that refundable portions of 1945 income and excess profits taxes will be repaid before March 31, 1946, with the refundable portion of the

1945 taxes a year later, and the refundable portion of the 1944 tax still a year after that or in 1950.

This refund is going to put a lot of not-too-small golden eggs in the hands of persons who will be able to make lovely omelettes.

Many people will be building houses and this money will greatly assist in financing them or the new automobiles supply will increase; or perhaps even the new television sets will be among the first purchases—you name yours. And the spreading of this money means the spreading of employment.

Mount Eisenhower

BY ROBERT J. C. STEAD

The renaming of Castle Mountain to Banff National Park, in honor of General Dwight D. Eisenhower is a fitting tribute, not only to a great and able soldier, but to all the people of the United States. It is also a fine gesture of the pride and admiration which Canadians have for this great architect of victory.

In a massive and enduring monument raised high in the Canadian Rockies his name and fame will be forever recalled. Millions of the few countrymen will yearly view this towering alpine fortress carved out by Mother Nature herself, with turning bastions and battlements, and standing out boldly as the chief feature of a truly remarkable alpine landscape.

Millions of Canadians will also pass that way as both a transcontinental railway and the Trans-Canada Highway skirt its broad base. Millions of visitors from other lands where the name of General Eisenhower is synonymous with victory will view and admire this overlying monument to the man who did so much to preserve their freedom and national dignity and who led their sons to final and complete victory in Europe.

There are always legends connected with natural phenomena such as

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unlike lofty edifices resembling a feudal castle. One has it that this is the home of the winds. "When there's a breeze on Lake Louise" more often than not it is the Wind Fairy stealing down from her mountain fastness to admire the reflection of her beauty in the mirror surface of this charming alpine lake. And when a breeze drifts down across Banff National Park through the foothills onto the open prairie it is the same Wind Fairy bringing warm breezes to Alberta's wheat and ranch lands.

Mount Eisenhower is more than 9,000 feet above sea level and was first climbed in 1884 by A. P. Coleman. On one of the mountain's massive shoulders well above timberline has been installed a fire lookout station. From this vantage point wardens scan the Bow Valley for 80 miles in both directions. The lookout cabin is connected by telephone with forest fire protection service of Banff National Park and is accessible by trail from the main highway.

At the foot of Mount Eisenhower a public camp ground has been laid out close to the Trans-Canada Highway. It is equipped with two camp dining shelters and running water. A bungalow camp consisting of 13 ways. It is equipped with two camp cabins and an auto camp with 9 cabins both under private management. Have been established near the base of Mount Eisenhower for the convenience of visitors to that part of Banff National Park.



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